Successful Candidates in the School Final Examinations and the Public Service.

107. MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR: Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement showing:

(*a*) the number of persons who have passed the Travancore School Final Examination during the last four years;

(*b*) the number of those among them who have entered the Travancore public service;

(*c*) the number of Brahmins, Nairs, Christians, Ezhavas and Mahomedans who have passed that examination during the last four years; and

(*d*) the number of those who have entered the Travancore public service from each of these communities?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) The Administration Reports of the State for the several years will show the number of pupils who passed the Travancore English School Leaving Certificate Examination held during those years. The results of the examination have also been published in the Government Gazette.

(*b*) to (*d*) The Government do not propose to collect these statistics.

Recommendations of the Salaries Committee.

108. MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether all the recommendations of the Salaries Committee have been given effect to by the Government and, if not, whether they propose to give effect to any more in the near future; and

(*b*) whether there is any special reason for not amalgamating the Joint Stock and Co-operative Departments under one officer as recommended by the Salaries Committee?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) The recommendations of the Salaries Committee regarding the reorganisation of the several departments have been considered and orders issued except in regard to the two minor offices of the Inspector under the Glanders and Farcy Regulation and the Boiler Inspector.

(*b*) The Government have considered the question carefully and come to the conclusion that such amalgamation is undesirable at present.

Premature Publication of Official Information.

109. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI: (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware of the fact that such of their decisions and orders as are sent to the Press Room are published in some newspapers long before they are sent there?

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